

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

August 10, 2006

Applicant(s): Hasan ERTAS et al.

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR USING RFID TO TRACK USE OF A

COMPONENT WITHIN A DEVICE

Serial No.: 10/662 012 Group: 2612

Confirmation No.: 8775

Filed: September 11, 2003 Examiner: Mullen

International Application No.: N/A

International Filing Date: N/A Atty. Docket No.: 3002.P0337US

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2006, Applicants respond as follows:

(Please see following pages.)

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on Quality, 2006.

Steven R. Thiel

08/16/2006 DEMMANU1 00000004 10662012

01 FC:1251

120.00 OP